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Dear _____:

As part of Duke Energy's plans to excavate coal ash from high-priority North Carolina sites, the company has selected Charah, Inc. to remove and beneficially reuse ash as structural fill at a clay mine in Lee County.

Charah is one of the nation's leading providers of coal ash management services. The Colon Mine project will store coal ash dry in a fully lined structural fill that features multiple layers of natural and synthetic barriers to contain the coal ash and separate it from groundwater and the surrounding environment. A network of groundwater monitoring wells will be installed to confirm the long-term performance of the containment system and provide an extra measure of protection.

We recognize you may have questions or concerns about the project, and we want to be responsive. In an effort to be a good neighbor, and fulfill a commitment to Lee County leaders, we are offering baseline well water testing for property owners living within 1,000 feet of the property boundary of the mine. This testing will be performed at no cost to you and can help you understand conditions in your well water before any coal ash is brought to the site.

As a nearby property owner, you may request well water testing by calling 704.731.2300 by Friday, August 7, 2015.

You may also learn more about Duke Energy's coal ash management plans at duke-energy.com/ash-management.

Duke Energy and Charah remain committed to ongoing communication with local officials and the community throughout the construction and operation of this project. If you have questions or concerns about this project, or would like to share your thoughts on how we can better connect with you, email coalashquestions@charah.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Sewell".

Scott Sewell
Chief Operating Officer
Charah, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Indira M. Everett".

Indira Everett
District Manager
Duke Energy